

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)	Examiner: Fronda, Christian L.
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Woon-Lam Susan LEUNG, <i>et al.</i>)	Art Unit: 1652
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Application Serial No. 09/422,528)	Confirmation No. 5652
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Filed: October 21, 1999)	Attorney's Docket No. GNE-0128A
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For: PROCESS FOR BACTERIAL)	Customer No. 35489
PRODUCTION OF POLYPEPTIDES)	

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The present Response is filed in response to the final Office Action mailed on March 17, 2008 in connection with the above-identified patent application (Confirmation No. 5652), and accompanies a Request for Continued Examination. A Notice of Appeal was filed on September 17, 2008, setting the term to November 17, 2008. The present Response is accompanied by a Request for a One-Month Extension of Time and is therefore timely. Although no claim amendments are made, the claims are reproduced for the Examiner's convenience. The Examiner's attention is respectfully directed to the Change of Correspondence Address letter filed on September 17, 2008. In addition, along with the present Response, Applicants file a Revocation and Power of Attorney. The Office is requested to direct all future communications to the attention of the undersigned attorney at the address provided below and the attached Power.

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